# MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER BOARD MINUTES

## **September 17, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Dealer Board was held at the Department of Revenue offices, Lakewood, Colorado. The following persons were present:

**BOARD MEMBERS:** Charla Berens

Fletcher Flower

Ramona Graves Bode

Matthew Porter Luke Walch Michael Widhalm

MEMBERS ABSENT: Carrie Baumgart

John Linton Jason White

**SENIOR DIRECTOR OF ENFORCEMENT:** Cory Amend

**ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:** Chris Rouze

**DEPT OF REVENUE,**Chris Hartman**AID, ENFORCEMENT**Gloria Breeden**DIVISION STAFF:**John Opeka

Frank Agos
Josh Dexter
Cheryl Morrison
Erika Garcia
Tim Rotter
Steve Koenig
Leland Bebee
Beth Spellerberg
Margaret Jungmann
Arleen Criddell Tapanen

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:** Brad Jones

VISITORS: Jami McCoy, CIADA

Suzi Karrer, SDO Chuck Halberstadt

1st Vice President, Ramona Graves Bode, opened the meeting of September 17, 2019 at 9:05 a.m. Ms. Bode turned the floor over to Acting Executive Secretary, Chris Rouze.

#### AGENDA REVIEW AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Rouze informed the Board that the Governor reappointed Ms. Carrie Ann Baumgart, representing new motor vehicle dealers and introduced two new Board appointees, Ms. Charla Berens, representing public members and Mr. Luke Walch, representing used motor vehicle dealers. Ms. Baumgart and Messrs. Linton and White will not be in attendance today.

#### CALENDAR

October 15, 2019 - 9:00 a.m. – Regularly scheduled Board meeting

1:00 p.m. – Formal Rulemaking Hearing

The last three items of the Executive Secretary Report will be presented next month as Conflicts Counsel, Skip Spear, is unable to attend today's meeting.

#### Board entered into required Best Practices Boards and Commissions Training.

The regularly scheduled Board meeting resumed at 1 p.m. Ms. Bode announced that Mr. Flower has left the meeting.

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the August 20, 2019 meeting were amended with a change to the wording of the last two cases of the Investigations Report from "Tabled for 30 days" to "Withdrawn" – approved 3-0-2 (Ms. Berens and Mr. Walch abstained).

#### BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS REPORT

Ms. Breeden presented the following to the Board:

### **Dealer Application:**

• Bee's Auto Sales #44528 – Motion to grant the license – approved unanimously.

#### COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS REPORT

Mr. Opeka presented the following to the Board:

**Statistical Reporting** – Mr. Opeka informed the Board that we started with 267 cases, 194 new cases were opened and 149 cases were closed for the month, giving the Division a balance of 312 open cases. There were 427 background inquiries performed.

#### **Affidavits of Probable Cause:**

• Rocky Mountain Kawasaki (MV), DL #36086 – Motion that the Board finds probable cause based upon the Affidavit of Probable Cause presented to the Board today respective to Rocky Mountain Kawasaki (MV), Dealer #36086; and that the case be assigned to the Office of Administrative Courts for a hearing on the merits and that the Executive Secretary be permitted to engage in settlement negotiations pursuant to C.R.S. 44-20-104 – approved unanimously.

- Rocky Mountain Kawasaki (PS), DL #40254 Motion that the Board finds probable cause based upon the Affidavit of Probable Cause presented to the Board today respective to Rocky Mountain Kawasaki (PS), Dealer #40254; and that the case be assigned to the Office of Administrative Courts for a hearing on the merits and that the Executive Secretary be permitted to engage in settlement negotiations pursuant to C.R.S. 44-20-104 approved unanimously.
- Rush Truck Center, Denver, DL #8865 Motion that the Board finds probable cause based upon the Affidavit of Probable Cause presented to the Board today respective to Rush Truck Center, Denver, Dealer #8865; and that the case be assigned to the Office of Administrative Courts for a hearing on the merits and that the Executive Secretary be permitted to engage in settlement negotiations pursuant to C.R.S. 44-20-104 approved unanimously.
- TrailersPlus, DL #42649 Motion that the Board finds probable cause based upon the Affidavit of Probable Cause presented to the Board today respective to TrailersPlus, Dealer #42649; and that the case be assigned to the Office of Administrative Courts for a hearing on the merits and that the Executive Secretary be permitted to engage in settlement negotiations pursuant to C.R.S. 44-20-104 approved unanimously.
- Tynans Kia, DL #41551 Motion that the Board finds probable cause based upon the Affidavit of Probable Cause presented to the Board today respective to Tynans Kia, Dealer #41551; and that the case be assigned to the Office of Administrative Courts for a hearing on the merits and that the Executive Secretary be permitted to engage in settlement negotiations pursuant to C.R.S. 44-20-104 approved unanimously.

#### **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT**

Ms. Rouze presented the following to the Board:

- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order John Elway Chevrolet #41988 –** Motion to accept the Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order approved unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order RKR Auto Sales, LLC #43629 Motion to accept** the Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order approved unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order Groove Subaru of Silverthorne** #43362 Motion to accept the Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order approved unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order Central Denver Auto Sales #40810** Motion to accept the Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order approved unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order Lazy Days RV #43441** Motion to accept the Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order approved unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order United Auto, LLC #41940** Motion to accept the Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order approved unanimously.
- Initial Decision Cole A. Kline, Salesperson License #131680 Withdrawn to confer with Conflicts Counsel.

- Initial Decision John Howard Angel, Salesperson License #30982 Withdrawn to confer with Conflicts Counsel.
- **Proposed Final Order of Default Judgment Hi Tech Auto Care, LLC #41741** Withdrawn to confer with Conflicts Counsel.

New Business - None

#### **Public Comment** – None

The meeting of the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

(Note: The Minutes of the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board summarize the contents of the meeting. They are not verbatim transcripts and are based principally upon the digital recording of the meeting and upon the later collaboration of staff attendees to ensure that the summary faithfully captures the matters before the Board and the actions the Board took. The digital recording of the meeting is a permanent record of the Board, retained in the electronic filing system of the Auto Industry Division, and is available as a resource for review, as needed.)

Chris Rouze Acting Executive Secretary